

## Message Text

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TAGS: BEXP, IV  
SUBJECT: MAJOR PRODUCT OPPORTUNITY - BOUAKA INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT

1. THE GOIC HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO BUILD A CLASS A INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT, CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING WIDE-BODIED JETS, ON THE SITE OF THE EXISTING AIR BASE AT BOUAKE, IVORY COAST'S SECOND LARGEST CITY.

2. GENERAL PLANS INCLUDE:

- EXTENSION OF THE EXISTING RUNWAY TO 2400 METERS.
- CONSTRUCTION OF A COMPLETELY NEW RUNWAY 3,300 METERS LONG, CAPABLE OF ACCOMMODATING LARGE CARRIERS, AND THE ADJACENT ACCESS PATHS.
- IMPROVEMENT OF THE EXISTING RUNWAY.

3. PROJECT COST IS ESTIMATED AT DOLLARS 110 MILLION FOR THE ENTIRE PROJECT, OF WHICH DOLLARS 45 MILLION IS FOR CIVIL ENGINEERING AND THE REMAINING DOLLARS 65 MILLION IS FOR EQUIPMENT.

4. PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS HAVE YET TO BE FINALLY DETERMINED AND A DETAILED PROPOSAL IS BEING DRAWN UP AT THE PRESENT TIME. CIVIL AVIATION OFFICIALS ESTIMATE THAT PROJECT SPECIFICATIONS WILL BE UNCLASSIFIED

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AVAILABLE SOMETIME BETWEEN JULY AND SEPTEMBER 1978.

5. FIRMS INTERESTED IN MORE DETAILED INFORMATION SHOULD ADDRESS THEIR INQUIRIES TO:

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DIRECTEUR GENERAL DE L'AERONAUTIQUE CIVIL

MINISTERE DES TRAVAUX PUBLICS, DE TRANSPORTS, DE LA  
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